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Form **4952**

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service (99 Name(s) shown on return

Investment Interest Expense Deduction

► Attach to your tax return.

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Total Investment Interest Expense Part I 1 Investment interest expense paid or accrued in 1998. See instructions Disallowed investment interest expense from 1997 Form 4952, line 7 Total investment interest expense. Add lines 1 and 2 **Net Investment Income** Part II Gross income from property held for investment (excluding any net gain from the disposition of 4a 4b Net gain from the disposition of property held for investment. Net capital gain from the disposition of property held for investment 4c 4d d Subtract line 4c from line 4b. If zero or less, enter -0-Enter all or part of the amount on line 4c that you elect to include in investment income. Do not enter more than the amount on line 4b. See instructions 4e f Investment income. Add lines 4a, 4d, and 4e. See instructions . 4f Net investment income. Subtract line 5 from line 4f. If zero or less, enter -0-**Investment Interest Expense Deduction** Part III Disallowed investment interest expense to be carried forward to 1999. Subtract line 6 from 7 line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-Investment interest expense deduction. Enter the smaller of line 3 or 6. See instructions .

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

General Instructions Purpose of Form

Interest expense paid by an individual, estate, or trust on a loan allocable to property held for investment may not be fully deductible in the current year. Use Form 4952 to figure the amount of investment interest expense deductible for the current year and the amount, if any, to carry forward to future years.

For more details, see **Pub. 550**, Investment Income and Expenses.

Who Must File

If you are an individual, estate, or a trust, and you claim a deduction for investment interest expense, you must complete and attach Form 4952 to your tax return, unless **all** the following apply.

- Your only investment income was from interest or dividends.
- You have no other deductible expenses connected with the production of interest or dividends.
- Your investment interest expense is not more than your investment income.

• You have no disallowed investment interest expense from 1997.

Allocation of Interest Expense Under Temporary Regulations Section 1.163-8T

If you paid or accrued interest on a loan and used the loan proceeds for more than one purpose, you may have to allocate the interest. This is necessary because different rules apply to investment interest, personal interest, trade or business interest, home mortgage interest, and passive activity interest. See **Pub. 535**, Business Expenses.

Specific Instructions Part I—Total Investment Interest Expense

Line 1

Enter the investment interest paid or accrued during the tax year, regardless of when you incurred the indebtedness. Investment interest is interest paid or accrued on a loan (or part of a loan) that is allocable to property held for investment (as defined later).

Include investment interest expense reported to you on Schedule K-1 from a

partnership or an S corporation. Include amortization of bond premium on taxable bonds purchased after October 22, 1986, but before January 1, 1988, unless you elected to offset amortizable bond premium against the interest payments on the bond. A taxable bond is a bond on which the interest is includible in gross income.

Investment interest expense **does not** include the following:

- Home mortgage interest.
- Interest expense that is properly allocable to a passive activity. Generally, a passive activity is any business activity in which you do not materially participate and any rental activity. See the separate instructions for Form 8582, Passive Activity Loss Limitations, for more details.
- Any interest expense that is capitalized, such as construction interest subject to section 263A.
- Interest expense related to tax-exempt interest income under section 265.
- Interest expense, disallowed under section 264, on indebtedness with respect to life insurance, endowment, or annuity contracts issued after June 8, 1997, even if the proceeds were used to purchase any property held for investment.